



Southwestern Pennsylvania Heritage Preservation Commission (Path of Progress)

Pennsylvania

Authorized November 19, 1988

Years since Designation

1988 2002

Management Entity Allegheny Heritage Development Corporation (private non-profit corporation)

Management Plan Status approved

Square Mileage of Counties in Heritage Area 7,259

2000 Census Data

| Data | 2000 Census | Percent Change from 1990 |
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| <i>Total Population</i> | 1,079,838 | -3 |
| <i>Persons under 18 Years, Percent</i> | 22.4 | -7.5 |
| <i>Persons 25-44 Years, Percent</i> | 27.4 | -5.7 |
| <i>Persons Over 65 Years, Percent</i> | 16.9 | +6.2 |
| <i>White Alone, Percent</i> | 96.3 | -1.6 |
| <i>Hispanic Origin, Percent</i> | 0.6 | +77 |
| <i>Black or African American, Percent</i> | 2.1 | +21.2 |
| <i>Median Household Income (2000 \$)</i> | 37,294 | +25.7 |
| <i>Percent Unemployed</i> | 5.2 | -36.2 |
| <i>Percent Below Poverty Level</i> | 9.9 | -32.4 |

Resources Profile

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| <i>Number of National Register Properties</i> | 218 |
| <i>Number of National Historic Landmarks</i> | 16 |
| <i>National Natural Landmarks</i> | 1 |
| <i>National Park Units</i> | 2 |

Congressional Districts 4

Local Government Units 754



Profile

This 500-mile route travels through nine counties of southwestern Pennsylvania and features hundreds of sites relating to the nation's industrial story. Included are the Altoona Railyards, the Johnstown Flood National Memorial and Museum, the steel mills of Johnstown, and Horseshoe Curve, a 19th century engineering marvel built by the Pennsylvania Railroad. Also called the Path of Progress National Heritage Route.

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